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Welcome to St. John ELCA



Encouraging One Another

We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning!

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—-and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10: 23–25

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Keeping in Touch, November 17, 2024

A warm welcome back to **Roxie Kenitzer**, from Schofield. She is a **S**ynod **A**uthorized **M**inister from the ELCA's East Central Synod of Wisconsin. Thank you so much for coming to lead us in worship this morning!

Coming SOON to St. John:

THANKOFFERING SERVICE—led by the Women of St. John on Nov. 24th **Combined Thanksgiving Eve Worship**—at St. John, November 27, 6:30pm. Bring your favorite PIE to share!

LOOKING AHEAD—We're beginning to plan for Christmas! If YOU would like to bless the kids by donating toward GOODIE BAGS, talk to Bonnie Bargender!

The Sunday School Christmas Program will be on December 15th in the service. Students have begun practicing during their Sunday School time. Children 4K and up are invited/encouraged to participate. Regular attendance for Sunday School practices is IMPORTANT.

We ask that ALL students try to attend the practices on 12/1 and 12/8 especially. Please reserve an hour AFTER the church service on 12/8 for an additional practice time. Thank you for your support, we will ALL enjoy the benefits!

> ADVENT WINDOWS—It's again time to get our joyful Christmas anticipation on! Advent begins December 1. We invite ALL to choose a windowsill and share some of your favorite Christmas decorations to celebrate the birth of our Savior. We'd like to enjoy your joyful creativity as Advent BEGINS. Take a Post-it from the table in the Narthex, put your name on it, and stake your claim on a windowsill!

Prayer Concerns

Elgart Mueller—At home, recovering from leg surgery, building strength. Jay Zemke—has begun radiation therapy.

Winona—12-year-old granddaughter of Eugene & Millie Borchardt (St. Stephen) has multiple cancers. Treatments have been completed and she is receiving comfort care.



The FIRST practice will be Monday, Dec. 9 at 6pm at St. Stephen. Following practices will be on THURSDAYS at 6pm. Performances are planned for Christmas Eve/Day. Interested? Talk to Mary Jo Werner.

Tomah VA Giving Opportunity—Current Needs:

Reading glasses (all strengths), coffee (reg. & decaf), hot chocolate (reg, & sugar free), suspenders, men's sweatpants (M, L, 3XL, 4XL) large backpacks, white briefs (2XL), men's belts (32"-42" waist), coloring markers (i.e. Crayola). Want to help? Talk to Sue/Steve Robers

St. John would like to contribute to SENIOR BINGO at St. Stephen on Nov. 20th by providing SNACKS. Some Suggestions: chocolate milk, sausage, deviled eggs, brownies, cookies, crackers,

If you'd like to donate, sign up on the table in the Narthex.

> Last Week—Nov. 10 Attendance: 53 Offering: \$800.00











